March 2, 2022

MOS Name: PO Kevin Richards
Tax #: 959133

IA Log #: 18-10946

Allegations:
ON DUTY TRAFFIC INCIDENT - DEPARTMENT VEHICLE ACCIDENT - DEPT VEH LEFT
ACCIDENT SCENE

MEMOBOOK INCOMPLETE/IMPROPER

Details:
On Wednesday 3/21/2018, at 0019hrs and Ext. 2241, I spoke with Sgt. REDACTED Tax# REDACTED of
MTS Precinct, who called to report the following: Yesterday at approx. 1800hrs, a Mr. REDACTED
(REDACTED) stated that his vehicle was sideswiped by an unknown marked NYPD van, while it was parked
in front of 12 East 36 Street in Manhattan (MTS). There were no reported injuries and the alleged police van
fled the scene. Sgt. REDACTED further stated that there are cameras present at the location, but they were
unable to gain access to them. Duty Captain REDACTED was notified in regard.

Disposition:
ON DUTY TRAFFIC INCIDENT - DEPARTMENT VEHICLE ACCIDENT - DEPT VEH LEFT
ACCIDENT SCENE – Substantiated. This investigation disclosed that on March 20, 2018, at approximately
1800 hours, the complainant alleged that his vehicle was sideswiped by a marked NYPD van, while it was
parked in front of 12 East 36th Street, Manhattan. The assigned investigator interviewed the complainant who
stated that he was sitting in his parked vehicle at approximately 1800 hours, when he heard a police siren
coming from behind his vehicle on East 36th Street. He further stated that the NYPD Police van attempted to
squeeze between his vehicle and another in the lane of traffic, and as it passed struck his vehicle's driver's side
rear quarter panel. He further stated that the NYPD van did not stop and left the scene leaving his vehicle
damaged. An AVL inquiry disclosed NYPD van 8839-17 was within vicinity of the incident location at
approximately 1807 hours. A canvass for video yielded no results. The investigating officer inspected Van
8839 which disclosed that there was damage to the passenger side of the van that extended from the front
passenger door through the passenger side rear quarter panel. The markings on the van are consistent with a
vehicle passing or overtaking another vehicle. The scratches and makings are black in color and are the width
of a bumper. A review of Department records disclosed that on March 20, 2018, Officer Richards was
assigned to Department van 8839-17, as the operator, along with Officer REDACTED, as the recorder, and
Officer REDACTED, as an occupant, in the Congestion Unit Response Auto. During his official Department
interview Officer Richards stated that they were responding to a 10-85 calls for assistance with lights and
sirens activated. Officer Richards stated that he had a clear lane due to a vehicle moving onto the side walk. As
the van passed the vehicle he felt a slight rubbing but he assumed it was the curb or side walk that was struck.
Upon arriving on the scene for assistance Officer Richards said that he made sure the officer was safe and
assisted with the transport of the prisoner. He also inspected the van for damage but found no structural
damage, therefore he found no reason to inform the supervisor of the rubbing he felt enroute. Officer Richard
further stated that he did not think it was possible he could have made contact with the vehicle but added that
he did not have any other contact while enroute to the scene. Office Richards said that he did not return to the
scene because he was assisting with Officer REDACTED's arrest.

MEMOBOOK INCOMPLETE/IMPROPER – Substantiated. During the course of investigation, it was disclosed that for March 20, 2018, Officer Richards failed to make complete memobook entries in that he failed to enter the color of the day, his assignment, the members of the service he was working with, the vehicle he was assigned, the inspection of the vehicle, and failed to complete the entries for the summons he was issuing prior to responding to a calls for assistance